

GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

MEDIA ALERT

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DOOLY / HOUSTON COUNTIES...

NIGHTLY LANE CLOSURES SCHEDULED NEXT WEEK ON I-75 NORTH AND SOUTHBOUND

WHEN: 7 p.m. until 7 a.m. nightly, beginning Friday, July 20 and again Monday, July 23,

nightly through Saturday, July 28, weather permitting

WHERE: I-75 southbound between mile markers 127 (Exit 127; SR 26) and 117 (Exit 117;

Pinehurst-Hawkinsville Road).

WHAT: The Georgia DOT has been notified by its contractors of a nightly lane closures

between mileposts 127 and 117 in Dooly and Houston Counties on I-75 southbound. One right lane will be closed southbound from mile marker 127 to 117, this will be a nightly closure from 7 p.m. to 7 a.m. beginning at 7 p.m. on Friday, July 20 and again Monday, July 23, nightly through Saturday, July 28, weather permitting. No work will

be performed on Saturday or Sunday.

This is a WORK ZONE and extreme caution is necessary. Motorists are advised to reduce speeds as they travel through this construction work zone. Message signs, barrels and cones will be utilized to alert the public of the upcoming changes. Drivers should be aware that personnel and equipment will be operating in close proximity to travel lanes.

Motorists can access real-time, statewide, route-specific information on accidents, road work, traffic and weather conditions through **Georgia 511** - a free phone service. By dialing 511, callers also can transfer to operators to 24 hours a day to report incidents or request assistance. The system can be used to access transit providers, major airports, rideshare organizations, tourism information and 511 systems in surrounding states. Additionally, 511 is available online. Georgia DOT partners with sponsors for assistance in funding 511, thereby preserving tax dollars and helping sustain critical services. For more information about 511, visit 511ga.org. For information on the Department of Transportation, visit http://www.dot.ga.gov; you also may follow Georgia DOT on Facebook (http://www.facebook.com/GeorgiaDOT) and Twitter (<a href="http://twitter.com/gadeptoftrans).